

History Departments and Cultural Institutions Départements d'histoire et institutions culturelles

Once again your department chairs have submitted their annual overview of comings and goings, awards and events. We present this information in the language(s) of choice of each institution, and we include almost every tidbit of information received. As readers will quickly note, some places have more news than others. Frequently this is tied to the size of a history department and other times it is tied to what has been identified as newsworthy by a particular chair. Regardless, we hope you will be accepting of the incredible variety in the reports that follow and think about what you would like your institution to include next year. We really do want to recount the news of every department in the country.

Encore une fois, vos directeurs de département nous offrent une vue d'ensemble de leurs allées et venues, prix et activités. Nous publions les renseignements que les institutions nous ont données, et ce, dans la(es) langue(s) de leur choix et nous avons inclus toute l'information soumise, dans ses plus petits détails. Comme les lecteurs pourront le constater, certaines institutions ont plus de nouvelles que d'autres. Fréquemment, c'est une question de l'importance du département d'histoire ou bien de ce qui a été identifié comme étant digne d'intérêt par un directeur en particulier. Peu importe, nous espérons que vous approuverez cette variété incroyable dans les rapports qui suivent et réfléchirez à ce que votre institution aimerait soumettre l'année prochaine. Nous désirons sincèrement relater les nouvelles de chaque département d'histoire au pays.

(In alphabetical order) / (Par ordre alphabétique)



Algoma University

Robert Rutherford is the Chair of the History Department. Algoma University's history program continues to grow in terms of new course development and expanded degree options. A new stream in public history is in being designed this

year, and recent course development in senior seminars the Early Modern period has led to new interdisciplinary offerings. Warren Johnston is on research leave sabbatical for 2014-2015 and Marisha Caswell returns as a contractually limited appointment in Early Modern History. Our history program will host Algoma University's Hayes-Jenkinson Lecture for 2014-2015 to be held in January 2015. Faculty complement remains unchanged, but a tenure-track appointment is anticipated.



BRANDON UNIVERSITY
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Brandon University

James Naylor is the Chair of the History Department. Rhonda Hinther was hired in



Brock University

Mark Spencer is the Chair of the History Department. The department is pleased to announce our hiring of Dr. Jessica Clark in the field of Modern British History. John Bonnett won the 2014 Gertrude K. Robinson Prize, the

Canadian Communication Association's annual prize for best book of the year, for his book *Emergence and Empire*. Renée Lafferty won the 2014 Clio Atlantic Prize, the Canadian Historical Association's annual prize for the best book on Atlantic History, for her book *The Guardianship of Best Interests. Institutional Care for the Children of the Poor in Halifax, 1850-1960*.



UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY

University of Calgary

Hendrik Kraay is the Chair of the History Department. The

number of historians is unchanged. In 2013-14, we hired Petra Dolata (History of Energy) and Glenn Wilkinson (modern Britain) became an instructor in the department. David Tal resigned to take a position at Sussex University and Stephen Randall retired. We were saddened by the deaths of Marian McKenna (28 June 2014) and Herman Ganzevoort (11 September 2014). Leaves for 2014-15 include Mark Konnert, David Marshal, and Doug Francis (fall 2014); and Paul Stortz, Paul Chastko, and Holger Herwig (winter 2015). Department members received the following awards: Ken MacMillan, University of Calgary Teaching Award for Full-Time Faculty; Paul Chastko, Leader in Internationalization Award (Faculty of Arts); Stephen Randall, Orden de San Carlos (Government of Colombia); George Colpitts, Robert F. Heizer article prize (American Society for Ethnohistory). Two visiting professors have joined the department: Roger Nichols (University of Arizona, Fulbright Visiting Researcher, fall 2014) and Eran Eldar (University of Tel Aviv, Israel Studies Visiting Professor, fall 2014–winter 2015). Our faculty numbers are stable, as is the number of graduate students; the number of undergraduate majors and course enrollees is declining.



CARLETON UNIVERSITY

Carleton University

Dominique Marshall is the Chair of the History

Department. Death: Roger Reynolds, see obituary in CHA Bulletin. Hiring: Daniel McNeil, cultural historian of the Atlantic

world during the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. Promotions: Shawn Graham became associate professor. Sabbatical year in 2014-15: Jennifer Evans, Sonia Lipsett-Rivera, Jacob Kovalio, David Dean (Winter), Bruce Elliott (Winter), Roy Laird (Winter). Visiting professor: Dr. Rebecca Pulju, from Kent State University, historian of modern France, women and gender, and consumer culture, will be at Carleton until August 2016.

A colloquium on Ottawa's Gothic architecture took place in September 2014 and the related exhibition is displayed in our lobby for the duration of the Fall; a day on the history of thalidomide in African and Canada; this year's series of 5 Shannon Lectures (Fridays in November-December 2015) will be on Animals and History; the Underhill Graduate Colloquium will take place in early March; the undergraduate colloquium in early April; we will welcome York historian Geoffrey Reaume for two days of academic exchanges in March 2015. Twenty colleagues are collaborating this fall in a collective second year course on the history of the First World War.

In general, faculty numbers are declining. This year, one addition after many retirements not replaced. Undergraduate enrolment is declining, graduate enrolment is steady. The Department is part of the new MA in Digital Humanities; we have a new doctoral field in Public History; at the BA level, the new BA in Global and International Studies includes a History specialization; and the Department participates in the new minor in Disability Studies.



Concordia University

Nora Jaffary is the Chair of the History Department.

There has been a decrease in the number of historians employed in the last twelve months. Carolyn Fick went to half-time from full-time. Matthew Penney and Anya Zilberstein both received tenure. Affiliate Assistant Professor Stacey Zembrzycki and former Concordia post-doctoral student Anna Sheftel won the Oral History Association's 2014 Book Award for their co-edited volume *Oral History, Off the Record*. Erica Lehrer's book *Jewish Poland Revisited* was named as a finalist in the National Jewish Book Awards in the category of Jewish Thought & Experience.

See details of various activities at three Research centers COHDS <http://storytelling.concordia.ca/news-and-events/events>, CEREV <http://cerev.concordia.ca/programme/lectures-events>, MIGS <http://migs.concordia.ca/events.html>. Faculty numbers are in decline, we will have another full-time faculty resign in December and we have not received permission to seek a replacement. Our honours program shows some decline; but our majors/specialization/minor students is fairly steady. Our graduate program is fairly steady - a slight dip in the past two years.

University of Guelph

Catherine Carstairs is the Chair of the History Department. The number of historians employed in the last twelve months has

been the same. There was no new hiring in the same period. Catharine Wilson was awarded the Francis and Ruth Redelmeier Professorship in Rural History. Jacqueline Murray won the prestigious 3M National Teaching Fellowship. Norman Smith won the Gourmand Award for his book *Intoxicating Manchuria*.



Kevin James was awarded the College of Arts Faculty Teaching Excellence Award in 2014. Ian Mosby was awarded the College of Arts Sessional Instructor Teaching

Excellence Award in 2014. Mark Sholdice won the College of Arts Graduate Teaching Assistant Award in 2014. The 2014 Scottish Colloquium will be held in early October. There will be in Artifacts of Agraria Conference in October, 2015: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Rural-History-Roundtable/173301882713936>.



UNIVERSITÉ L'AVAL

Université Laval

Michel Fortin est directeur du département des sciences

historiques. Jacques Bernier a pris sa retraite mais aucune nomination n'est anticipée. Le Congrès de l'Institut d'histoire de l'Amérique française a eu lieu à l'Université Laval du 16 au 18 octobre. Le nombre de faculté est en déclin (un de moins) tandis que le nombre d'étudiant se maintient.



MacEwan UNIVERSITY

MacEwan University

Bob Irwin is the History Coordinator and Ed Lorkovic is Humanities Department

Chair. There has been a decrease in the number of historians employed in the last twelve months. Michael Carroll was promoted to Associate Professor. Ian Armour and David Higgins have retired. The Department did not receive permission to fill either position. Elena Krevsky was appointed Visiting Assistant Professor for a one year limited term appointment. Faculty numbers are in decline, we have requested permission to fill one of the history retirements from last year but it is not clear that we will be able to proceed. The University and Faculty Association are in the midst of collective bargaining and fiscal climate is uncertain given the political changes in Alberta. The number of declared history majors has declined slightly.



UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA

University of Manitoba

Tina Chen is the Chair of the History Department. Todd Scarth is a new hire in

Modern World history, (a joint appointment with History and Global Political Economy). Julie Guard joined the department with a change in position to a cross-appointment in History and Labour Studies. Michael Kinnear retired. Barry Ferguson was appointed as Duff Roblin Professor of Government. Robin Jarvis Brownlie, Tina Chen, and Adele Perry were promoted to

Professor; Joyce Chadya was promoted to Associate Professor and Joyce Chadya and Elytt Jones received tenure.

Ben Baader received a Frankel Fellowship at the Frankel Institute for Advanced Judaic Studies at University of Michigan; Robin Jarvis Brownlie received a UM Merit Award for Research, Service and Teaching; David Churchill, Elytt Jones, Adele Perry received a UM Outreach Awards for their outreach activities. Roisin Cossar received a Lila Acheson Wallace Special Project grant, Villa I Tatti: The Harvard Center for Italian Renaissance Studies for September 2014 conference. Julie Gibbings received an Agrarian Studies Fellowship at Yale; Adele Perry won the CHA Hilda Neatby Prize for best article in French and English on women's history; Elytt Jones was named to the Inaugural Cohort of New Scholars, Artists, and Scientists of the Royal Society of Canada. The History Department is part of the organizing committee for events in October for the Knight Distinguished Lecture at University of Manitoba, featuring Justice Murray Sinclair. This includes a 1-day symposium on "The Archive and Reconciliation: Remembering the Residential School Experience." Conference: Cultural Encounters and Shared Spaces in the Renaissance City, 1300-1700, Sept. 12-13, 2014 (organized by Roisin Cossar).

The History Undergraduate Student Association was revived and they have established an award to recognize undergraduate student involvement in promoting a community of history students. The History of Emotions Research Cluster, established by 3 PhD students in the Department (Erin Millions, Susie Fisher, and Krista Walters), is an affiliated and funded research cluster with the University of Manitoba Institute for the Humanities. Faculty numbers are in decline as is the number of undergraduate students while a graduate enrolment (MA and PhD) is stable.



McMaster University

Pamela Swett is the Chair of the History Department. Dr. Ken Cruikshank obtained the rank of Professor; Dr. Virginia Aksan, Professor Emeritus retired in 2014; Dr. John Trueman, Professor Emeritus, passed away and Dr. Ian Mosby obtained a L.R. Wilson Postdoctoral Fellowship; and Dr. Ellen Amster, Hannah Professor in the History of Medicine, Associate Member was appointed to the department.

Here is the Wilson Institute Events Fall Schedule: 25 September 2014 Sean Mills; 23 October 2014 Peggy Bristow; 11 November 2014: World War 1 Presentation; 13 November 2014: Saje Mathieu; and 17 November 2014: Don Wright. Dr. Tracy McDonald received a SSHRC Insight Grant for her research on Soviet zoos.

Faculty numbers are maintaining, undergraduate growth has been declining and the graduate numbers are steady.



Memorial University

Terry Bishop Sterling is the Chair of the History Department. New Hire: Dr. Sébastien Rossingnol, Medieval History. Retirement: Dr. Christopher Youé, Imperial History, History of Africa. Promotion to Associate Professor: Dr. Marica Cassis. Resigned: Dr. Mark Humphries, War and Society and Dr. Lianne Leddy, Aboriginal History. We have three new hires this year: Aboriginal History (advertised), War and Society (advertised) and Global History (to be advertised by end of October).

Dr. John Sandlos received the President's Award for Outstanding Research - Sandlos. 2014-19 Co-investigator (Arn Keeling, Memorial University, Principal Investigator), "Northern Exposures: Science, Indigenous People," Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Insight Grant, (Received \$500,000; approximately \$110,000 to go toward Sandlos projects). Sandlos 2013-16 Principal Investigator (with Arn Keeling, The Goyatiko Language Society, and Alternatives North), "Toxic Legacies: Community Perspectives on Arsenic Pollution at Yellowknife's Giant Mine," Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Partnership Development Grant (Received \$199,972; approximately \$85,000 to go toward Sandlos projects). Sandlos 2011-18 Co-investigator (Chris Southcott, Lakehead University, Principal Investigator), "Resources and Development in Arctic (ReSDA)," Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Major Collaborative Research Initiatives (MCRI) grant (\$2.5 million total with \$50,900 for sub-project funding to Sandlos and Dr. Keeling). Sandlos 2011-15 Co-investigator, renewal of ArcticNet Research Grant (received \$110,000/a for three years, \$27,500/a to go individually to Sandlos). Dr. Marica Cassis was awarded a SSHRC Insight Grant "Cadix Hoyuk: a Rural Byzantine Community on the Plateau".

Faculty numbers and student enrollments are maintaining.



Université de Montréal

Jacques Y. Perreault est directeur intérimaire du département depuis le 1er septembre 2014. Retraite de Paul Létourneau en septembre 2014 - Arrivée d'un nouveau professeur adjoint, Gordon Blennemann en août 2014- Décès de Jacques Falmagne, prof honoraire le 15 juin 2014 - Démission du directeur, Michael J. Carley. Il y aura la nomination d'un nouveau directeur pour juin 2015.

Jacques Y. Perreault a reçu le prix: "Professor Honoris Causa" de la State University of Library Studies and Information Technologies à Sofia en Bulgarie pour ses recherches sur Thraces et les Grecs ainsi que ses collaborations avec les chercheurs bulgares. Nos chercheurs invités sont : Benoit Lemay jusqu'au 31 mai 2016 - Gabriela Cursaru jusqu'au 31 mai 2016 - Sung Hyan Nam jusqu'au 31 août 2015 et Marc Carrier jusqu'au 31 mai 2015. Il y a eu une légère augmentation pour les étudiants inscrits au



premier cycle et un maintien pour les cycles supérieurs.

Mount Allison University

William Lundell is the Chair of the History Department. The department looks forward to marking in November the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War by sponsoring a lecture by Gwynne Dyer: 'What the First World War taught us'. Elaine Naylor (American) published in May with the McGill-Queens University Press her book: *Frontier Boosters: Port Townsend and the Culture of Development in the American West*. Marie Hammond Callaghan (Canadian and European Women and Gender) has replaced Elaine Naylor as Director of the Women's and Gender Studies program. Kathleen Lord (Modern Canadian) was awarded a sabbatical leave for the autumn 2014 term with Robert Cupido acting as her replacement. The department continues to build its library collection with generous support from the Morton Memorial Fund.

Staffing remains constant at eight tenured faculty: one American, one Asian, two Canadian, and three European historians, plus an historian holding a joint-appointment with Women's and Gender Studies whose interests are transatlantic. Courses in Greek and Roman history are taught by equivalent of one historian posted to Classics. Two History faculty teach courses cross-listed with Religious Studies. Overall the department's undergraduate enrollments have held steady. 2014 saw, relative to 2013 numbers, a slight increase in the number of honors degrees awarded, a modest decline in the number of majors, and a modest increase in the number of minors graduating. Early indications are that the number of 2015 graduating honors, majors, and minors will match or nearly so 2014 performance.



MOUNT ROYAL
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Mount Royal University

Jennifer Pettit is the Chair of the History Department. Unlike in previous years in which the department expanded significantly as part of Mount Royal University's transition to a university, this past year the department has concentrated on building the history program. As Chair, Dr. Jennifer Pettit continues to help oversee these developments. This work builds upon that of previous chairs such as Dr. Thomas Brown, a past president of The Canadian Society for the History of Medicine, who retired in 2014. Due to budget cuts it is unlikely that his vacant position will be filled though the department did add two art historians in 2014. On a more positive note, applications to the program are rising (once again due to the high number of applicants students were placed on a waiting list), a program review is underway, and the department has been involved in a number of interesting initiatives that are detailed below.

Conferences, etc.

In September of 2014 Mount Royal University hosted the third *Under Western Skies* conference during which issues related to the environment, community and culture in North America were discussed during fifty-five interdisciplinary panels, seven keynote addresses by individuals such as Justice Thomas Berger and the founding members of the Idle No More movement, and a number of other activities such as the reading of a new play and an interactive exhibition on the Berger Inquiry. With registration numbers in the hundreds, the conference is now known as a key place for scholars, artists, citizens and students from around the world to examine environmental issues.

February 19-21, 2014, Mount Royal University hosted *Understanding Atrocities: Remembering, Representing and Teaching Genocide*. History was well represented at this three-day multidisciplinary conference that brought together leading experts, emerging and established scholars in the field of genocide studies, as well as undergraduate and graduate students, secondary school teachers, community members, and policy makers in order to share new scholarship and new teaching perspectives on the global, transhistorical problem of genocide. Keynote speakers included Andrea Smith, awarding-winning author of *Conquest: Sexual Violence and American Indian Genocide* (2005), and Valerie Hebert, author of *Hitler's Generals on Trial: The Last War Crimes Tribunal at Nuremberg* (2010). Allan Rock, University of Ottawa President and former Canadian Ambassador to the UN, and Lloyd Axworthy, University of Winnipeg President and former Canadian Minister of Foreign Affairs, shared their political and academic encounters with genocide in a plenary roundtable discussion examining Canada's role in genocide prevention. The conference also included a special screening of "Never Again: Lessons from the Holocaust," a film from University of Tennessee historian John Swanson that explores how the Holocaust is being taught in high schools and universities. And throughout the conference, MRU hosted the international travelling exhibition "Names Instead of Numbers," containing a brilliantly displayed selection of 24 biographies from the *Dachau Concentration Camp Book of Remembrance*. (<http://www.gedaechtnisbuch.de/namen-stattnummern/english/index-engl.html>)

Commemorating the Komagata Maru / Celebrating the Century brought together undergraduate and graduate students, tenure-track and tenured scholars, professors *emeriti*, writers, directors, and members of the Sikh community. The conference provided a forum for new research and new perspectives on the *Komagata Maru*, and on Sikh engagement with and within Canadian cultural, ethnic, and religious diversity. The conference actively involved members of the Sikh community, including community leaders and organizers, public figures, and creative writers. Because of this, it had a real and tangible impact beyond the confines of the Academy while at the same time maintaining its scholarly emphasis. The three day programme consisted of twenty-two presenters from three continents (North America, Asia, and Africa). Notable among these participants were

Professor Emeritus Hugh J.M. Johnston, author of the authoritative and newly-revised *The Voyage of the Komagata Maru*; Professor Ali Kazimi, writer, director, and cinematographer of the award-winning documentary film "Continuous Journey"; Shauna Singh Baldwin, award-winning author; and Pardeep Singh Nagra, Executive Director of the Sikh Heritage Museum of Canada. The programme included two special evening presentations - a screening of "Continuous Journey" followed by a discussion with Ali Kazimi, and a talk by Shauna Singh Baldwin on "Choosing to belong: our rights, our responsibilities" - and an exhibit from the Sikh Heritage Museum of Canada.

A number of upcoming events are also planned including presentations by Wab Kinew and Prof. Robert Buckingham, and once again historians from the department will take part in the Holocaust Education Symposium hosted by MRU. In its 30th year in 2014, the Symposium brings local high school students to Mount Royal to learn about the Holocaust; over 40,000 students in Calgary have taken part in the program.

Student Activities

This spring, the MRU Students' Historical Society will once again host the *Foothills Colloquium in Undergraduate History* at Mount Royal University and Fort Calgary. This year's conference will take place from Thursday, April 30 to Friday, May 1, 2015. The Call for Papers arrives on 14.11.14. Please encourage your history undergraduates to attend. They can also follow the event on Twitter @FoothillsColloq.

In June 2014 a team of undergraduate history students travelled from Calgary to the Provincial Archives of Alberta in Edmonton with Professor Jarett Henderson. Upon their arrival at the Provincial Archives of Alberta the students were greeted by archivist Karen Simonson who gave the students a behind-the-scenes tour of the collection. The students spent the remainder of the week researching in the archives where they examined government reports, court records, journals, microfilm, the minutes of various associations such as the Y.M.C.A./Y.W.C.A., Methodist Church records, and a bounty of other sources in an effort to gather materials on the history of Mount Royal and early 20th century Alberta. The documents that the students gathered have been incorporated into Mount Royal's "Introduction to History" course which teaches history majors how to conduct historical research and think like an historian. This initiative was generously funded by the Faculty of Arts Innovation Fund.

A number of other initiatives are underway as well. The Honours program continues to flourish and 2014 will mark the publication of the second issue of the *Mount Royal Undergraduate Humanities Review*, a peer-reviewed online journal that publishes essays and other kinds of intellectual work by MRU students in areas such as history, philosophy, women's studies and indigenous studies. Interest in travel/field courses continues to be strong. Students in the department took part in a Treaty 7 field course in which students met with elders, participated in

various cultural activities and travelled to a variety of local nations. In spring history travel courses to New York and the southern United States are also taking place. In addition, a number of local heritage institutions such as Heritage Park and the Military Museums of Calgary hosted undergraduate history interns.

Scholarship

Faculty members have published a number of articles and monographs and received a number of research grants. For instance, Dr. Jarett Henderson edited a special issue of *Histoire sociale/Social History*, and Dr. Carmen Nielson published *Private Women and the Public Good: Charity and State Formation in Hamilton, Ontario, 1843-96*.



Okanagan College

Howard Hisdal is the Chair of the History Department. Dr. Chris Clarkson, former Chair of the History Department, is off on long term study leave for a year to examine post-1945 federal prison reform,

education, and rehabilitation programs. To replace him we have hired Dr. Jim Wood, Canadian history specialist, and author of *Militia Myths: Ideas of the Canadian Citizen Soldier 1896-1921*. Professor Howard Hisdal, CD, MA, is the new Chair of the History Department.

Okanagan College just finished hosting its Sixth Annual Pow Wow. The economic troubles of the early 1990s are being felt with the lower birth rates reflecting themselves in a smaller student population twenty years later. Over all the Okanagan Valley region is growing in population as Northern BC depopulates. Kelowna is now the biggest city in the BC Interior with 30,000 more people than Kamloops and a larger population than Victoria but it still does not make the CBC National weather map. USA Today has recently declared the Okanagan Valley second on a list of the ten best wine regions of the world with Napa Valley being rated number six. It is very pleasant being faculty at Okanagan College. We have wine at all our Faculty Association meetings along with wonderful meals from our Culinary Arts program.

We are stable with faculty membership but our Arts enrolment is down somewhat from last year. None of our history courses have waiting lists which is unusual because we have had waiting lists since 2005. That is when the split occurred with our North Campus becoming UBC Okanagan Campus and Okanagan University College became once again Okanagan College. Undergraduate numbers are declining for the second year in a row after eight years of rather spectacular growth since the re-establishment of Okanagan College in 2005. No new programs as of yet but some are just entering the planning stage.



UNIVERSITY
of Prince Edward
ISLAND

University of Prince Edward Island

Susan Brown is the Chair of the History Department. Dr Edward MacDonald: Lieutenant Governor's Award, Heritage Canada - The National Trust, 2014. Dr Edward MacDonald: Publication of the Year Award, from Prince Edward Island Museum & Heritage Foundation, 2014, for *Cradling Confederation: The Founding of the Confederation Centre of the Arts, Charlottetown*. Charlottetown: Confederation Centre of the Arts, 2013. Dr MacDonald has been much in demand as a scholar and speaker at numerous 2014 events commemorating the Charlottetown Conference of 1864. Dr Sarah Glassford (sessional instructor) has been actively engaged in public history commemorations of WWI. In particular she has been sought out for by CTV, Canadian Press, and CBC radio for interviews on various aspects of women and WWI. Dr Glassford is currently co-editing a centenary series of blog posts for www.ActiveHistory.ca about WWI and its commemoration which reassess traditional narratives of Canada's involvement in the war. In March, 2014, the UPEI History Department hosted the 10th annual Atlantic Universities Undergraduate History & Classics (AUUHC) conference. Approximately 40 students from seven universities in the Atlantic region gathered to share their research with students and faculty.

Full-time appointments remain the same. Decline in sessional (contract, part-time) appointments. Undergraduates are declining. A proposal has been submitted to create a new program for Medieval Studies minor (pending approval) in conjunction with departments of English, Philosophy, Classics, Religious Studies and others.



St. Francis Xavier University

Donna Trembinski is the Chair of the History Department. Bonnie White was appointed on a limited term, Political Science and History. No new hiring was done beyond sabbatical replacements. Faculty numbers are the same while undergraduate enrolment is increasing (+100 at the first year level), but the larger trend is declining.



Saint Mary's University

Kirril Freeman is the Chair of the History Department. Xiaoping Sun was awarded tenure. Faculty

numbers are stable while student enrolments are slightly down. The department has a new Indigenous Studies Minor program.



Ryerson University

Catherine Ellis is the Chair of the History Department. We completed one tenure-stream hire in 2013-14. We are delighted that Dr. Farzin Vejdani has joined the department as an historian of the



Some of the 40 students from 7 Atlantic Universities discuss their work at the Atlantic Universities Undergraduate History & Classics (AUUHC) Conference hosted by the University of Prince Edward Island History Department in March 2014. / Quelques-uns des 40 étudiants des universités des provinces atlantiques discutent lors de la Atlantic Universities Undergraduate History & Classics (AUUHC) Conference organisée par le département d'histoire de l'University of Prince Edward Island en mars 2014.

modern Middle East. His research encompasses Iran, Turkey, and North Africa, focusing on histories of nationalism, everyday life, crime and the city. We are now stable after a period of significant growth (doubling of faculty complement). There is a slight decline in student enrollments for 2014-15. Applications to our Honours History BA program were significantly down this year (18% lower).



UNIVERSITÉ DE SHERBROOKE Université de Sherbrooke

Léon Robichaud est directeur du département d'histoire. Quelques activités sont en préparation afin de célébrer le 50^e anniversaire de création de notre Département d'histoire. Le dynamisme d'une petite équipe renouvelée depuis quelques années se traduit par les publications récentes par M. Demers (*Connected Struggles. Catholics, Nationalists, and Transnational Relations between Mexico and Quebec, 1917-1945*), J.-P. Le Glaunec (*L'armée indigène: La défaite de Napoléon en Haïti*), T. Landry, dir. (*Identités: Constructions, négociations, négations*), et la parution prochaine par H. Bérubé (*Des sociétés distinctes. Gouverner les banlieues bourgeoises de Montréal, 1880-1939*).

Le nombre de professeurs se maintient. Après une baisse en 2012, le nombre d'étudiants au premier cycle est revenu cette année au niveau habituel, soit un peu plus de 45 nouveaux étudiants. Le nombre d'étudiants à la maîtrise continue de varier grandement. Après un début très lent, le programme de doctorat accueille cette année 4 nouveaux étudiants.



Simon Fraser University

Hilmar Pabel is the Chair of the History Department. New Hires: Tina Adcock, Asst. Professor and Bidisha Ray, Sr. Lecturer. Promotions: Jeremy Brown, Assoc. Professor; Nicolas Kenny, Assoc. Professor; and Karen Ferguson, Professor. Retirements: Allen Seager, Assoc. Professor.

2014-2015 Lecture Series: This Just In: History & the Headlines - Pinkwashing: The Queer Critique of Israel's Pro-Lesbian and Gay Politics in Historical Perspective (Dr. Elise Chenier); Lines that Don't Divide: Telling Tales about Chemicals, Animals, and People in the Salish Sea (Dr. Joseph Taylor); Egypt 2011: Writing the History of a Revolution in Progress (Dr. Paul Sedra); Rape & Redemption: The Changing Landscape of Gendered Discourses in Contemporary India (Dr. Bidisha Ray); Combating the Crimes of Soldiers: Psychiatrists and the Imperial Japanese Army (Dr. Janice Matsumura); Politics and Justice in Duplessis's Quebec: Debating the Trial and Execution of Wilbur Coffin (Dr. Jack Little); and Media Explosions: The Spectacle of France's First Atomic Tests in the Algerian Sahara, 1960-2014 (Dr. Roxanne Panchasi). Dates and details online: sfu.ca/history/events.html.

There is a slight increase in the faculty numbers, while undergraduate and graduate enrollments are declining.



UNIVERSITY OF
TORONTO

University of Toronto

Nicholas Terpstra is the Chair of the History Department.

There has been an increase in the number of historians employed in the last twelve months. Appointments that were made include: Laurie Bertram (Toronto): Modern Canada, Gender, Material Culture; Donna R. Gabaccia (Michigan): Migration and Diaspora; Madhavi Kale (Pennsylvania): S.Asian; Global Indentured Labour; Julie MacArthur (Cambridge): Modern Africa, Mapping, Cinema; Lisa Mar (Toronto): Richard Charles Lee Chair in Chinese Canadian Studies at University College; Jeffrey M. Pilcher (TCU): Food History; Bhavani Raman (Michigan): Tamil; Lucho van Isschot (McGill): Modern Latin America, Human Rights; Yvon Wang (Stanford): Modern China, Sexuality, Popular Culture. Jennifer Mori & Jo Sharma promoted to Associate.

Lynne Viola and Nicholas Terpstra were elected Fellows of Royal Society of Canada and Natalie Rothman was elected to Junior College of RSC. E. Jennings wins the J.S. Guggenheim Fellowship. And N. Terpstra, *Cultures of Charity* (Harvard UP: 2013) was awarded the Gordan Book Prize of Renaissance Society of America. 3 History searches are currently under way across the 3 campuses of University of Toronto. The department hosted the 2014 Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, under President Franca Iacovetta. Faculty members are increasing after a period when few retirements were replaced. In 2013-14 course and program enrolments held steady; this year there seems to be a slight decline in course enrolments at 2nd year level. A number of graduate program initiatives are in the planning stage.



Vancouver Island University

Timothy Lewis is the Chair of the History Department. Dr. Gordon Hak retired as of December 2013 and Dr. Katharine Rollwagen was hired to replace Gordon.

There were two new faculty publications of note:

Gordon Hak, *The Left in British Columbia: A History of Struggle* (Vancouver: Ronsdale Press, 2013) and Keith D. Smith, *Strange Visitors: Documents in Indigenous – Settler Relations in Canada from 1876* (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2014).

Dr. Cheryl Krasnick Warsh was recently chosen to serve as the Executive Director of the Western Association of Women Historians. Faculty numbers have held steady at 7.25 for the last five years, but that is down from the departmental high of 9.25 that prevailed in the early 2000s. Student numbers have been gradually trending downward.



University
of Victoria

University of Victoria

Lynne Marks is the Chair of the History Department. New Hires include Dr. Brian McKercher in Diplomatic and International History, and Dr. Andrew Wender in World and Middle Eastern History (cross-appointed with Poli Sci). Retirements: Dr. Greg Blue and Dr.

John Duder. Deaths: Dr. Reg Roy and Dr. Ian MacPherson. Anticipated Appointment: CRC Tier II Chair in Modern Global & Comparative History Visiting scholar: Dr. Zhiping Liang, a visiting scholar from Shanghai University (sponsored by Dr. Chen).

Some of the events that were held by the department included a History fair for local high school students, a Professional development day for high school teachers and a Book launch for departmental authors. Other news: Dr. Eric Sager was elected to the Royal Society of Canada, Dr. Jordan Stanger-Ross is principle investigator of SSHRC-funded 7 year partnership grant for Landscapes of Injustice project,

Dr. Rachel Cleves received a UVic Humanities Research award and Dr. Chen organized a very successful international conference on "Zheng He's Maritime Voyages (1405-1433) and China's Relations with the Indian Ocean World from Antiquity." Finally, there will be a Ethnohistory Field school with the Stó:lō Nation in the spring of 2015.

Faculty is maintaining. Undergraduate enrollments are declining except at the 100-level and graduate admissions are maintaining. We have a new exchange program with the University of Toulouse (Undergrad), New Colonial Legacies Field School in South Africa (Grad and undergrad) and are planning for a new MA program in Public History.



University of Waterloo

Gary Bruce is the Chair of the History Department. New Hires: Ian Milligan, Canadian History, Digital History and Susan Roy, Public History, Aboriginal

History of Canada. We are currently advertising for a Tier 1 CRC in Global/Transnational History. Faculty numbers are maintaining, our graduate program is unchanged, but our

undergrad majors have dropped significantly. We have roughly half the majors we had eight years ago, and have fallen behind some of our 'competitor' disciplines, like Political Science. We have introduced 3 specializations to our undergraduate degrees: 1) War and Upheaval, 2) Public History, 3) Global Encounters.



University of Western Ontario

Keith Fleming is the Chair of the History Department. Limited Term hire: Dr. Sarah Wobick-Segev.

Retirements: Dr. Roger Hall; Dr. Craig Simpson; Dr. Rod Millard. Leaves: Dr. Carl Young; Dr. Ben Forster; Dr. Frank Schumacher; and Dr. Luz Maria Hernandez-Saenz. Faculty numbers are in decline while both undergraduate and graduate numbers are being maintained.



University of Windsor

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Miriam Wright is the Chair of the History Department. Christina Simmons was promoted to Professor.

Leslie Howsam and Christina Simmons are retiring in December, 2014. Leslie Howsam, Christina Burr and Shauna Huffaker are on sabbatical. Adam Pole was appointed as a Sessional Lecturer

(permanent position). We have two two-year limited term appointments, starting in January 2015. Kate Walker and Justin Fantauzzo are Post-Doctoral Fellows.

Last fall, our undergraduate students launched an online journal, *The Great Lakes Journal of Undergraduate History*. Christina Simmons' article, "I had to promise...not to ask 'nasty' questions again: African-American Women and Sex and Marriage Education in the 1940s," will appear in the *Journal of Women's History* in spring 2015. Pauline Phipps' book, *Constance Maynard's Passions: Religion, Sexuality And An English Educational Pioneer (1849-1935)* will be published by University of Toronto Press in 2015. As well, her article, "Constance Maynard's Languages of Love" will appear in *Women's History Review*. Leslie Howsam's edited *Cambridge Companion to the History of the Book* will be published in January 2015. Christina Simmons received the Faculty of Graduate Studies Graduate Student Supervision and Teaching Award. Robert Nelson received the Alumni Award for Distinguished Contributions to University Teaching, as well as the University of Windsor Award for Excellence in Scholarship, Research and Creative Activity (mid-career category). Pauline Phipps received the Organization of Part-time University Students Faculty Award.

Faculty numbers are in decline. Undergraduate enrolment is steady but down over past five years while graduate numbers are down this year, but had been stable for the past 6-7 years.

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